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OPA Daily Digest for 2/21/14

Congressional Inquiries:

Sen. Charles Grassley (Iowa): 2/20/14. Constituent complaint about alleged contamination in Treynor, Iowa. Due: 3/6/14. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

Sen. Charles Grassley (Iowa): 2/20/14. Former EPA employee requests remuneration for loss of property. Due: 3/5/14. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

Sen. Claire McCaskill (Mo): 1/23/14. Requests an update on EPA projects in southwest Missouri. Due: 1/30/14. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

State and Local Government Inquiries:

Legislative Liaison, Office of the Director (Mo): 2/3/14 – Request review of HB1631. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (open)

Rep. John Wilson (Ks): 02/21/14 – Question on PCB disposal facilities. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (closed)

Press Inquiries:

Sioux City Journal (Iowa) - Nick Hytrek – 2/13/14: Questions regarding disposition on underground tanks and contamination and the Sioux City Airport. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (open)

Cedar Rapids Gazette (Iowa) - Lee Hermiston – 2/13/14: Questions about the Northtown, Iowa, fire. Explained Associated Press error on EPA involvement and referred to Iowa DNR. Contact: Dave Bryan, 7433 (closed)

Midwest Energy News – Karen Uhlenhuth – 2/21/14: Questions about the use of coal ash on roadways during ice and snow events. Provided Headquarters EPA information on encapsulated coal ash methodology. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

KBIA Radio, Columbia, Mo. – Sarah Darby – 2/21/14: Wants a face-to-face interview with EPA expert regarding GHG rules for existing and new power plants. Referred her to headquarters. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

KKFI Radio, Kansas City, Mo. – Elaine Giessel – 2/22/14: Preparation for Steve Wurtz interview on Eco program, Monday, Feb. 24. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

Environmental Stories:

St. Louis Public Radio - New Bridgeton Landfill Data Suggest Underground Fire Still Far From Radioactive Waste (update) - 2/21/14 - New monitoring data from the Bridgeton Landfill suggest that an underground fire has not spread toward radioactive waste to the north. <http://news.stlpublicradio.org/post/new-bridgeton-landfill-data-suggest-underground-fire-still-far-radioactive-waste>

KTVI Ch. 4 St. Louis - Court ordered Carbon Monoxide data submitted for the Bridgeton Landfill (video) - 2/20/14 - Thursday was the deadline for submission of expanded air sampling data from the Bridgeton Landfill. It should help determine the movement of the three year old underground fire. <http://fox2now.com/2014/02/20/court-ordered-carbon-monoxide-data-submitted-for-the-bridgeton-landfill/>

KDSK Ch. 5 St. Louis - Data shows no fire in North Quarry of Bridgeton Landfill (video) - 2/21/14 - The Bridgeton Landfill team released its monthly report Thursday with the Missouri Attorney General, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and St. Louis County. <http://www.ksdk.com/story/news/local/2014/02/20/north-quarry-bridgeton-landfill-fire-data/5654557/>

KMOX Radio St. Louis - Bridgeton Emergency Planners to Consider Worst Case Scenarios - 2/20/14 - The weekend fire at the Bridgeton landfill has emergency planners scheduled to meet next week to discuss a worst case scenario namely what they would do if a surface fire erupted threatening to contaminate the area with radiation? <http://stlouis.cbslocal.com/2014/02/20/bridgeton-emergency-planners-to-consider-worst-case-scenarios/>

Des Moines Register - Chemical scare prompts evacuation of nearly 2,000 in Northwood - 2/21/14 -

Northwood expected a blizzard, but not a plume and a boom that triggered a mass exodus Thursday in the tiny town four miles south of the Minnesota border.

<http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20140221/NEWS/302210077/1001/>

KIMT Ch. 3 Mason City, Iowa - Fire is out at the Northwood Ag Products facility – 2/20/14 - The Iowa State Patrol is confirming that roadways near Northwood are open, and the fire at the Northwood Ag Products facility is out. <http://kimt.com/2014/02/20/fire-at-worth-county-chemical-plant/>

Mason City Globe Gazette (Iowa) - Northwood residents allowed back home - 2/20/14 - The cause of an explosion Thursday morning at a Northwood AG Products fertilizer storage facility containing sulfuric acid is undetermined. http://globegazette.com/news/local/northwood-residents-allowed-back-home/article_d0f05ac7-d7b8-5ee6-a002-46b4b96f0133.html

Mason City Globe Gazette (Iowa) - Northwood evacuated due to sulfuric acid fire - 2/20/14 - Residents of Northwood were being evacuated Thursday morning as firefighters battled a chemical fire at a fertilizer plant on the grounds of the Northwood airport. The facility contains sulfuric acid, according to Worth County Emergency Management. http://globegazette.com/news/local/northwood-evacuated-due-to-sulfuric-acid-fire/article_d0f05ac7-d7b8-5ee6-a002-46b4b96f0133.html

CNN - Chemical fire spurs Iowa town's evacuation - 2/20/14 - Authorities evacuated a small town in northern Iowa and waited out a fire at an agricultural chemical company Thursday after warning that the blaze involved sulfuric acid. <http://www.cnn.com/2014/02/20/us/iowa-evacuation-fire/>

Radio Iowa - Northwood residents allowed to return home following fire - 2/20/14 - Residents of the town of Northwood were allowed to return to their homes after being evacuated for several hours Thursday when an explosion and fire engulfed an outbuilding at the airport. The explosion happened before 8 a.m. <http://www.radioiowa.com/2014/02/20/northwood-residents-allowed-to-return-home-following-fire/>

KGAN Ch. 2 Cedar Rapids (Iowa) - Iowa Iowa City to See Record Water Main Breaks – 2/20/14 - Iowa City is now on target to experience a record number of water main breaks in 2014, Assistant Water Superintendent Kevin Slutts said Thursday. <http://www.cbs2iowa.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/iowa-city-see-record-water-main-breaks-25199.shtml>

Cedar Rapids Gazette (Iowa) - Linn County prepares for utility-scale solar facility - 2/20/14 - Linn County planners are preparing for a first of its kind for the county — a utility-scale solar installation designed to produce electricity solely for profit and feed it into the power grid. <http://thegazette.com/2014/02/20/linn-county-prepares->

[for-utility-scale-solar-facility/](#)

Des Moines Register - Clock runs out on bevy of bills in Iowa Legislature - 2/21/14 - The Iowa Legislature's procedural deadline known as the funnel siphoned off dozens of bills this week that are no longer eligible for consideration and approval. <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20140221/NEWS10/302210095/Clock-runs-out-on-bevy-of-bills-in-Iowa-Legislature>

Bloomberg - The Coal Plant an Illinois Town Couldn't Give Away - 2/20/14 - How much is an old coal power plant worth? With natural gas production booming and environmental rules looming, in Illinois the answer is clear: It can be hard to even give one away. <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-02-20/the-coal-plant-an-illinois-town-couldn-t-give-away.html>

Omaha World-Herald - Berkshire's BNSF says it'll buy 5,000 railcars to transport crude oil - 2/20/14 - BNSF Railway Co. said Thursday that it plans to buy 5,000 new and improved railcars to transport crude oil more safely than current models. <http://www.livewellnebraska.com/article/20140220/MONEY/140229853>

Associated Press - EPA seeks tougher safety standards for farmworkers - 2/20/14 - The Environmental Protection Agency on Thursday proposed strengthening 20-year-old standards aimed at protecting farmworkers from toxic pesticides. <http://www.kansascity.com/2014/02/20/4837954/epa-seeks-tougher-safety-standards.html>

Reuters - U.S. proposes new safety rules for farm pesticide use - 2/20/14 - Farm workers, children and other people working or living near farm fields would have more protection from hazardous pesticides under changes proposed on Thursday by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/21/us-usa-epa-pesticides-idUSBREA1J29K20140221>

Omaha World-Herald - Fate of Keystone XL route may land in hands of Public Service Commission - 2/21/14 - As TransCanada Inc. weighs its next step in the fight over building the Keystone XL oil pipeline, Nebraska opponents say they are prepared if the battlefield shifts to the Public Service Commission. <http://www.omaha.com/article/20140221/NEWS/140229743>

Hays Daily News - Guest Opinion: Insist on facts in fracking - 2/20/14 - Fear has become a principal means of directing public opinion away from the facts, and in the case of hydraulic fracturing, it is occurring with a well-known and historically acceptable process associated with recovering oil and natural gas from the earth. <http://hdnews.net/opinion/edcross022014>

Drovers Cattle Network - Will the EPA reverse itself regarding the renewable mandate? - 2/19/14 - Biofuels

groups have sent strong signals that they will mount a legal challenge if the final RFS rulemaking for 2014 includes the write down of the renewable mandate. <http://www.cattlenetwork.com/cattle-news/246221331.html>

Beatrice Sun (Neb.) - Pollution prevention begins at home - 2/20/14 - This is a good reminder that pollution prevention begins at home and includes all levels of the food growth, production, processing, preparation and consumption cycle. http://beatricedailysun.com/news/local/pollution-prevention-begins-at-home/article_3d16922a-8c69-5a5b-b93c-faa96ffd5d0f.html

MSNBC/All in With Chris Hayes - Republicans heart Keystone XL - 2/20/14 - Some in the Republican party are questioning why Obama won't approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, which they argue will create jobs. <http://www.msnbc.com/all-in/watch/the-epas-new-attacks-on-climate-change-159254083975>

Huffington Post (blog) - Environmental Justice Interview: Dr. Jalonnie White-Newsome - 2/20/14 - Interview marking the 20th anniversary of Executive Order 12898: Federal actions to address environmental justice in minority populations and low-income populations. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/molly-rauch/environmental-justice-interview_b_4823841.html

On Earth - An Accident Waiting to Happen - 2/20/14 - As oil trains derail across the United States, a windswept—and vulnerable—stretch of Montana's Glacier National Park underscores the folly of transporting crude by rail. <http://www.onearth.org/articles/2014/02/oil-trains-keep-exploding-so-why-are-we-send-more-through-national-parks>

Washington Times - Editorial: Obama's EPA colludes with radical environmentalists - 2/20/14 - Settling into his second term, Mr. Obama has dropped the pretense of a balanced view of energy. He's raising barriers to affordable fuels, such as oil, coal and natural gas. <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/feb/20/editorial-a-back-channel-to-riches/>

E&E News - Federal judges skeptical of industry challenge to EPA soot standard - 2/20/14 - Federal appellate judges were skeptical today of a broad industry challenge to U.S. EPA's new air standard for fine particles, or soot. <http://www.eenews.net/stories/1059994856>

Fox News - Opinion: The stakes are high in Supreme Court case on EPA's reach - 2/20/14 - The Supreme Court will hear an important case next week involving regulatory overreach by the Environmental Protection Agency, in a case involving greenhouse gas regulation. <http://www.foxnews.com/opinion/2014/02/20/stakes-are-high-in-supreme-court-case-on-epa-reach/>

National Journal - Solar Industry, Utilities Seek Common Ground - 2/20/14 - A divide within the solar industry over whether utilities are allies or adversaries could be a stumbling block in efforts to overhaul rate structures for customers who provide some of their own electricity. <http://www.nationaljournal.com/daily/solar-industry-utilities-seek-common-ground-20140220>

The Economist - Stacking the deck: A way to double the efficiency of solar cells is about to go mainstream - 2/20/13 - Sunlight is free, but that is no reason to waste it. Yet even the best silicon solar cells convert only a quarter of the light that falls on them. Scientists want to change that.

<http://www.economist.com/news/science-and-technology/21596924-way-double-efficiency-solar-cells-about-go-mainstream-stacking>

Brownfield Ag News - Northey provides Nutrient Reduction Strategy update - 2/21/14 - Kicking off the 2014 Iowa Soybean Association On-Farm Network Conference was Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey, who gave an update on the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy. <http://brownfieldagnews.com/2014/02/21/northey-nutrient-reduction-strategy-update/>

EcoWatch - Overwhelming Majority of Voters Want TransCanada to Testify Under Oath Where Keystone XL Tar Sands Will Be Sold - 2/20/14 - While the final decision rests with President Barack Obama, people still want to know all they can about the Keystone XL pipeline and where its tar sands oil would be sold if its construction is approved. <http://ecowatch.com/2014/02/20/majority-voters-transcanada-testify-keystone-xl-tar-sands/>

EcoWatch - ALEC-Affiliated Legislators Launch Premature Attacks on Carbon Pollution Limits - 2/20/14 - The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is scheduled to propose limits on carbon pollution from power plants this coming June, but American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) and other polluter groups are not waiting to see EPA's draft standard before they declare opposition. <http://ecowatch.com/2014/02/20/alec-legislators-carbon-pollution-limits/>

EcoWatch - Judge Sides With Landowners, Strikes Down Eminent Domain Law Allowing Keystone XL - 2/20/14 - Yesterday the Lancaster County District Court in Lincoln, NE found LB 1161—the law that amended Nebraska state pipeline laws to clear the way for the Keystone XL pipeline by granting the power of eminent domain to Gov. Heineman and in turn TransCanada—unconstitutional and void. <http://ecowatch.com/2014/02/20/judge-strikes-down-eminent-domain-keystone-xl-law/>

NPR - Keystone Greens See Pipeline As Crucial Test For Obama (audio) - 2/20/14 - This week's North American Summit is refocusing attention on the proposal to build the Keystone XL pipeline. The issue's proved to be complicated for President Obama to navigate among green activists. <http://www.npr.org/2014/02/20/280255167/keystone-greens-see-pipeline-as-crucial-test-for-obama?ft=1&f=1025>

E&E PM - Experts battle over limits of EPA authority for power plant rules - 2/20/14 - Environmental and industry attorneys clashed today over whether U.S. EPA can use its upcoming rules restricting carbon dioxide emissions from existing power plants to require changes not just at the facilities themselves but through systemwide shifts such as boosting renewable fuels or reducing demand. <http://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/stories/1059994879/>

Forbes - On Autism, Environmental Toxicants, And Bias - 2/20/14 - Two clinicians who “utilize detoxification methods in their clinical practices” together with a third author have published an epic review in Translational Psychiatry claiming to evaluate the evidence for the involvement of environmental contaminants in autism. <http://www.forbes.com/sites/emilywillingham/2014/02/20/on-autism-environmental-toxicants-and-bias/>

Wall Street Journal - McNider and Christy: Why Kerry Is Flat Wrong on Climate Change - 2/20/14 - In a Feb. 16 speech in Indonesia, Secretary of State John Kerry assailed climate-change skeptics as members of the "Flat Earth Society" for doubting the reality of catastrophic climate change. But who are the Flat Earthers, and who is ignoring the scientific facts? <http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB10001424052702303945704579391611041331266>

Christian Science Monitor - Keystone XL pipeline hits another snag. Will it ever be built? (+video) - 2/20/14 - The Keystone XL pipeline suffered a legal setback Wednesday when a state court voided the Nebraska governor's approval of the project. After more than five years of review, the fate of the Keystone XL pipeline still hangs in the balance. <http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Energy-Voices/2014/0220/Keystone-XL-pipeline-hits-another-snag.-Will-it-ever-be-built-video>

Houston Business Journal - More methane in the air, report says - 2/21/14 - A new academic report revealed that more methane from natural gas is escaping into the atmosphere and contributing to climate change than previously projected by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. http://www.bizjournals.com/houston/morning_call/2014/02/more-methane-in-the-air-report-says.html

New York Times - As Obama Vows to Act on Climate Change, Justices Weigh His Approach - 2/22/14 - President Obama in recent days has been announcing muscular executive actions to address climate change, making good on his promise to act on pressing problems “with or without Congress.” On Monday, the Supreme Court will consider the limits of that approach, in a case on greenhouse gas emissions. <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/20/us/politics/in-emissions-case-supreme-court-to-consider-the-limits-of-obamas-authority.html>

The Hill - Highway agency moving toward new alt fuel rules - 2/19/14 - The Obama administration is moving forward with another fuel efficiency rule that would cost automakers more than \$14 million each year, according to government estimates. <http://thehill.com/blogs/regwatch/energy-environment/198756-highway-agency-set-to-release-new-alt-fuel-rules>

The Hill - EPA to overhaul pesticide regs - 2/20/14 - The Environmental Protection Agency is proposing new regulations to safeguard the nation's millions of agricultural workers against pesticide poisoning.
<http://thehill.com/blogs/regwatch/pending-regs/198864-epa-to-overhaul-pesticide-regs>

Reuters - POET-DSM says Iowa cellulosic ethanol plant running by June - 2/18/14 - An Iowa ethanol plant that will be one of the first producers of biofuels made from crop waste will be operating by June, a general manager of the plant said in an interview on Tuesday. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/18/ethanol-poetdsm-idUSL2N0LN1PO20140218>

Domestic Fuel - Ethanol Report on New Economic Study - 2/21/14 - At the 19th annual National Ethanol Conference in Orlando, the Renewable Fuels Association unveiled a new study by ABF Economics entitled "Contribution of the Ethanol Industry to the Economy of the United States."
<http://domesticfuel.com/2014/02/21/ethanol-report-on-new-economic-study/>

Lincoln Journal Star (Neb.) - Editorial: React wisely to pipeline ruling - 2/21/14 - State lawmakers and Gov. Dave Heineman should resist the temptation to try a quick legislative fix in the wake of the ruling striking down the law used to approve the route for the Keystone XL pipeline. The legal situation is complex.
http://journalstar.com/news/opinion/editorial/editorial-react-wisely-to-pipeline-ruling/article_86269cc2-0784-52b6-b7f6-063b8af31a5a.html

Greenwire - Decision could drag past November after pushback in Neb. - 2/20/14 - It's beginning to look a lot like 2012 all over again as resistance in Nebraska points to a months-long delay in President Obama's ruling on the Keystone XL pipeline, possibly until after the next election. <http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059994867/>

Greenwire - RFS rollback would put policy on 'manageable' track -- EPA transportation chief - 2/20/14 - A proposal to reduce the renewable fuel mandate that many saw as a step backward for federal biofuels policy was in fact an attempt to define a "manageable trajectory" going forward, U.S. EPA's transportation head said yesterday.
<http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059994859/>

Greenwire - Former EPA climate adviser faults OIRA, urges Obama to 'let agencies do their work' - 2/20/14 - Ever-tighter White House control of the rulemaking process is leading to laxer environmental regulation and looser adherence to statute, a former U.S. EPA climate adviser said yesterday.
<http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059994857/>

Greenwire - Midwest farmers ease into credit system to fight Gulf 'dead zone' - 2/20/14 - A pilot program set to

fully launch next month will pay farmers in the Midwest to run their farms in a way that doesn't contribute to a growing "dead zone" in the Gulf of Mexico. <http://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1059994847/>

BNA - Panelists Disagree on Scope of Air Act For Achieving Carbon Dioxide Reductions - 2/20/14 -

Environmental and industry panelists disagreed on whether Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act would permit existing coal-fired power plants to incorporate carbon dioxide emissions reductions that occur outside the "fence line" of the project.

http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=41924058&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e6v6k9t5&split=0

BNA - Government Review of Climate Assessment Focuses on Response Strategies, Health - 2/20/14 -

Government reviewers for the third National Climate Assessment have paid particular attention to its discussion of climate change response strategies, according to the chairman of the committee developing the report.

http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=41924062&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e6v6n8q6&split=0

BNA - Nebraska Files Appeal of Court Ruling Striking Down Keystone Pipeline Siting Law - 2/20/14 -

Nebraska Attorney General Jon Bruning (R) filed a notice of appeal Feb. 19 contesting a state court ruling invalidating a 2012 state law that led to approval of a revised route for the Keystone XL oil pipeline.

http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=41924072&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e6w1y3z0&split=0

BNA - Talks Continue on Voluntary Rail Safety Steps For Crude Oil, Transportation Chief Says - 2/20/14 -

While the freight rail industry has been "tremendously open" to voluntary interim measures to enhance safety on railway cars that transport crude oil, those measures aren't ready to be finalized, Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx said Feb. 20.

http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=41924064&vname=dennotallissues&jd=a0e6v6z5t3&split=0

Inside EPA - North Carolina Spill Seen Showing EPA Limits Over 'Inactive' Coal Ash Ponds - 2/20/14 - The major coal ash spill in North Carolina from an "inactive" storage pond is sparking renewed debate about whether regulating the coal combustion material as a non-hazardous solid waste, as EPA is widely expected to do later this year, will provide enough regulatory oversight to surface impoundments no longer receiving new wastes.

<http://insideepa.com/201402202461903/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/north-carolina-spill-seen-showing-epa-limits-over-inactive-coal-ash-ponds/menu-id-95.html>

Inside EPA - Biofuels Groups Defend EPA In Suit Over 2013 RFS - 2/20/14 - Biofuels groups are defending

EPA in refiners' suit challenging the agency's 2013 renewable fuel standard (RFS) blending requirements as unreasonably high. <http://insideepa.com/201402202461896/EPA-Blog/The-Inside-Story/biofuels-groups-defend-epa-in-suit-over-2013-rfs/menu-id-97.html>

Inside EPA - D.C. Circuit Doubts PM2.5 NAAQS Suit But Queries Air Monitoring Mandate - 2/20/14 -

Appellate judges at Feb. 20 oral arguments appeared skeptical of industry groups' suit over EPA's decision to tighten its fine particulate matter (PM2.5) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) by citing deference to the agency's scientific judgment. <http://insideepa.com/201402202461901/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/dc-circuit-doubts-pm25-naaqs-suit-but-queries-air-monitoring-mandate/menu-id-95.html>

Inside EPA - High Court Suit Tests EPA Authority To Permit GHGs Absent Congress - 2/20/14 - The Supreme Court is slated to hold arguments next week in a case that will test whether EPA can limit greenhouse gases (GHGs) in prevention of significant deterioration (PSD) permits. cleanenergyreport.com/201402202461818/Clean-Energy-Report-Daily-News/News/high-court-suit-tests-epa-authority-to-permit-ghgs-absent-congress/menu-id-202.html

Inside EPA - EPA Fracking Guide Revives Industry Fears On Retroactive Enforcement - 2/21/14 - EPA's recent guidance for crafting Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) permits for hydraulic fracturing operations that use diesel fuels, the only type of fracking subject to the drinking water law, is reviving industry fears that the agency could pursue enforcement actions against operators for past injections of diesel fuels without permits. <http://insideepa.com/201402212462002/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/epa-fracking-guide-revives-industry-fears-on-retroactive-enforcement/menu-id-95.html>

Press Releases:

Link to all R7 press releases: <http://go.usa.gov/Qx5>

None

Fact Sheets:

Link to all R7 fact sheets: <http://www.epa.gov/region7/factsheets>

None

Upcoming Administrator/RA Events:

* New additions noted with an asterisk

2/26/14 – Black History Month Program – Introduce Guest Speaker, Regional Office. Contact: Fatima Ndiaye, 7383

3/8/14 – Sierra Club 40th Anniversary Conference, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Hattie Thomas, 7762

3/18-19/14 – RA/DRA Joint Meeting, Denver, Colo., Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

3/31/14 – Madison and Lila Self Graduate Spring Symposium, Lawrence, Kan. Contact: David Bryan, 7433

4/3/14 – Mid-American Environmental Compliance Conference, Overland Park, Kan. Contact: Dave Cozad, 7587

4/22/14 – Sprint WasteWise Event, Overland Park, Kan. Contact: Kris Lancaster, 7557

DRA:

3/4/14 – Executive Management Council, Washington DC. Contact: Dana Peters, 7444

3/18-19/14 – RA/DRA Joint Meeting, Denver, Colo., Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071

RA/Immediate Office

None

Other Events

AWMD

None

CNSL

None

ECO/EJ

2/18 – 21/14 – Public Affairs Directors Meeting, Washington, DC. Contact: Hattie Thomas, 7762

2/24/14 – West Lake Landfill CAG Meeting, St. Louis, Mo., Contact: Karim Dawani, 7289

3/13/2014 – EJ Small Grants Community Tour, Press Event and Stakeholder Roundtable, Wichita, Kan. Contact: Corazzin, 7429

ENSV

None

PLMG

None

RA/OPA

2/24/14 - Westlake Landfill CAG Meeting, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364

2/25-26/14 – Conduct community interviews for the Westlake Landfill site, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364

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3/3/14 – Emergency planning meeting with local response agencies and the Johnson County Environmental and Health Department, Olathe, Kan. Contact: Scott Hayes, 7670

3/6/14 – Kansas Commission on Emergency Planning and Response meeting, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Scott Hayes, 7670

3/18-19/14 - National Response Team/Regional Response Team Co-Chairs meeting, Atlanta, Ga. Contact: Scott Hayes, 7670

4/1-2/14 - Hosting spring Regional Response Team meeting, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Scott Hayes, 7670

WWPD

3/11-14/14 – Water Quality Standards National Program Meeting, Washington, D.C. Contacts: John DeLashmit, 7821, Ann Lavaty, 7370